

# Spilman Wins Football Crown



Smiling champions of the touch football season are these triumphant residents of Spilman: standing (l. to r.) Bill Hawkins, Steve Turner, Bob Hartsell, Ken Wells, George Maynard and Mike Macon; Clyde Puryear, Terry Blackwell, Don Fox, Tom Tatham and Bruce Woody.

The climax of the men's intramural touch football came last week with Spilman edging the Cottages 7-0 for the championship. The game, played in Meares Stadium, terminated the men's intramural football season.

Although hindered by a strong threat of rain and a scarcity of spectators, the game proved exciting and full of action. Both teams, anxious to earn the title of "Champions," put forth their best efforts.

The kickoff, at 7 p.m. under the lights, was taken by the Cottages, but Mike Macon made an immediate interception for Spilman. The Spilman drive was hindered by a 15-yard penalty on their very first down.

Failing to make a first down, Spilman relinquished the ball to the Cottages; but again Macon proved his ability for Spilman by intercepting a Cottages pass. The advantage was short-lived, however, for Rick Henderson of Cottages intercepted a Spilman pass.

Neither team was able to advance successfully throughout the remainder of the first quarter, but the Cottages squad did manage another interception of a Spilman pass.

As the second quarter began, the first real scoring threat occurred. A penalty against Spilman and a pass completion by the Cottages moved the ball close to the end zone; however, a penalty set the Cottages back 15 yards

and the ball eventually went over to Spilman on downs.

The two teams battled back and forth evenly until the last five seconds of the first half when Terry Blackwell of Spilman intercepted a Cottages pass; however, his teammates were unable to capitalize on the break and the half ended with a scoreless tie.

The only touchdown of the game occurred in the first several seconds of the fourth quarter. Bruce Woody scored for Spilman on a running play, and Bill Hawkins scored the extra point.

Throughout the remainder of the last quarter the Cottages tried desperately to score, mostly on pass plays, but were unsuccessful.

## Harriers Run

Revenge and a chance to improve their record for the season will be the goal of Mars Hill's cross-country runners when they meet the Milligan College harriers here today.

They also will be testing themselves in competition over an expanded distance. All previous meets have been over a three-mile course, but today's romp has been laid out over a four-mile circuit.

With the season two-thirds completed, the Lions have a record of six wins and four losses. One of the losses was to Milligan at the beginning of the season.

Meets remaining on the schedule include one at Western Carolina Monday, a state meet in Raleigh on Nov. 4, a return battle with Western Carolina here on Nov. 6 and the NAIA district meet here on Nov. 9.

Last year's Lion squad had a 4-9 record. With a 6-4 mark and the remaining meets still to go, the current team has already displayed its obvious improvement.

Mars Hill's Number 1 runner, Russell Barrett, feels that his team has a chance to finish third, possibly second, in the district meet. This would be a good showing for a young team such as Coach Dal Shealy's 1968 squad.

The team which wins the district meet will be eligible for the national cross-country meet to be held in Oklahoma City.

## Rough Cage Scrimmage Shows Lion Strength

The North Greenville College Mounties, who invaded Chambers Gymnasium recently for a scrimmage session with the Lions, were unable to contain Coach Harrell Wood's improving squad.

Although basketball was the prime purpose of the several 10-minute games, they had all the characteristics of the past Clay-Liston boxing matches.

During the few instances when basketball was the main interest of everyone involved, there was a good display of the individual talents which comprise this year's Lion team. Teamwork, of course, hasn't been coordinated yet because this takes longer to achieve.

Possibly the most impressive of the Lions was Rodney Johnson with his rebounding and individual play. Still young (freshman), Rod should give his classmates

much to cheer about this year. Jim Wilmoth played well under the boards, scored at will and looks to be a team leader in many respects.

Eddie ("Mr. Hustle") Miller and Dave Brown also looked to be ready for the opener against Tusculum on Nov. 19.

Rudy Reeves displayed good board strength but is still hampered by his old tendencies of getting into foul trouble.

In the final outlook, this year's team runs, scores and rebounds well; but it will be hurt due to lack of height. This, however, should be compensated by board strength and team balance.

## WRA Softball Slated

Seven games in girls' intramural softball competition are on schedule during the next two weeks. They are as follows:

Oct. 30, 5:30 p.m., Edna Moore II vs. Stroup II; 6:10, Stroup III vs. Fox.

Oct. 31, 5:30, Edna Moore I vs. Stroup II; 6:10, Edna Moore II vs. Stroup I.

Nov. 5, 5:30, Stroup III vs. Stroup II; 6:10, Edna Moore I vs. Stroup I.

Nov. 6, 5:30, Edna Moore III vs. Edna Moore II.

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Berryhill, Kathryn Fisher, Betty Harrell, Ida Hearn, Sandra Kiser and Marion Stubbins;

Coulwood Junior High, Patricia Edwards, Marie Fortenberry and Terry Parker; Thomasboro Elementary, Mary Shepard and Mary Sue Wilkerson; Oakdale, Mrs. Susan Gaddis, Janice McCrary and Kathy West; West Mecklenburg High, James Carroll.



## LION LORE

By Butch Palmer

Students will be admitted to all regularly scheduled home athletic events by showing their ID card at the gate. Non-student wives and husbands of currently enrolled students as well as faculty members and their families, trustees, alumni and other friends of the college will pay for admission.

Although this is a campus publication, I feel that from time to time some news from the outside is appropriate. For this reason and because of a strong interest which has been aroused in the student body, I would like to comment on the Olympic Games in Mexico City.

Through the first week of the competition the United States had completely dominated, winning 54 medals to 32 for Russia. Records were being set by the score, but one of the most phenomenal, the broad jump by Bob Beamon of the United States, would have to be along side the three-minute mile as the greatest achievement in Olympic history.

Beamon's jump of 29 feet 3 inches is nearly two feet better than all existing Olympic records. This record will become a milestone in athletic history, and I personally feel that it will be regarded as the outstanding athletic achievement of this decade.

I cannot mention the Olympic Games without speaking, regretfully, of the actions of Negro stars and medal-holders Tommie Smith and John Carlos, who refused to acknowledge the American flag and presented a Nazi salute.

It was in 394 A.D. that Emperor Theodius abolished the games due to politics, immorality and professionalism seeping into the internal structure.

Such actions by Smith and Carlos, due to racial problems in the U.S., are and have been only a detriment to the cause that they (Smith and Carlos) wish to fight for. The Negro athlete can do more for his race through participation in sports than any single element at his grasp. Are these not the basic principals that the Negro is striving for today? I am deeply disappointed that men—both black and white—can't see the destruction they cause themselves, their country, race and one another.

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